THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) (i) 'IRCON' International Ltd. (IRCON)

(ii) Rail India Technical & Economic Services Ltd. (RITES),

(iii) Indian Railway Finance Corporation Ltd. (IRFC),

(iv) Container Corporation of India Ltd. (CONCOR), and

(v) Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd. (KRC) are the PSUs under Ministry of Railways.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Annual Reports for year 1996-97 has not been received from KRC. There has been no serious audit objection in Railway PSUs for the years 1995-96 & 1996-97.

New Railway Line Between Haridaspur-Paradeep

1213. SHRIMATI ILA PANDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a new Railway line has been proposed between Haridaspur and Paradeep Fort in Orissa; and

(b) if so, the details of the Survey done, acquisition of the land, and the period of the completion of the project thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) yes Sir, the work has been included in the Budget 1996-97.

(b) The Final Location Survey for the entire length has been completed. Land acquisition papers for 7 km. out of 82 km. has so far been submitted to the State Government. An amount of Rs. 5 crores has also been paid to the State Government for the land. However, the land is yet to be handed over by the State Government. Target date will be fixed after receipt of possession of land and depending upon the availability of resources.

जोधपुर में आमान परिवर्तन

1214. श्री सुंदर सिंह भंडारी: क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या जोधपुर से मारवाड़ जंक्शन तक बड़ी लाइन बिछाने का काम पहले ही शुरू कर दिया गया है;

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण है और यह कब तक प्रारंभ हो जायेगा; और

(ग) बड़ी लाइन बिछाने संबंधी काम का कब तक पूरा हो जाने की संभावना है और इसे यात्री गाड़ियों के लिए कब तक चालू कर दिया जाएगा?

रेल मंत्री (श्री राम विलास पासवान): (क) जी हां।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(ग) चालू वित्त वर्ष में कार्य पूरा हो जाने और यात्री गाड़ियों के परिचालित हो जाने की संभावना है।

Railway projects in Punjab

1215. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH KALYAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of ongoing railway projects in Punjab;

(b) what is the dead-line for those projects which are to be completed by government; and

(c) the details of progress made for completion of each of these projects?